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Branches and Agencies:

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HONOLULU. MUKDEN.
BOMBAY. TIE-LING.
SHANGHAI. CHANG-CHUN.
HANKOW.

HONGKONG—INTEREST ALLOWED.
On Current Account at the rate of 2 per cent.
per annum on the Daily Balance.

On Fixed Deposit:—
For 12 months 5% p.a.
" 6 " 4% " "
" 3 " 3% " "
" 1 " 2% " "
TAKEO TAKAMICHI,
Manager.

Hongkong, 1st September, 1908. [23]

DEUTSCH ASIATISCHE BANK.

CAPITAL FULLY PAID-UP—Sh. Tael 7,500,000

HEAD OFFICE—SHANGHAI.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS: BERLIN.

BRANCHES:
Berlin Calcutta Hamburg Hankow
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FOUNDED BY THE FOLLOWING BANKS AND BANKERS:

Koenigliche Sächsische (Preussische)
Direktion der Disconto-Gesellschaft
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LONDON BANKERS:
Messrs. N. M. Rothschild & Sons,
THE UNION OF LONDON AND SMITH'S BANK,
LIMITED.
DEUTSCHE BANK (BERLIN), LONDON AGENCY,
DIREKTION DER DISCONTO GESELLSCHAFT.

INTEREST allowed on Current Account
DEPOSITS received on terms which may be
learned on application. Every description of
Banking and Exchange business transacted.

A. KOHN,
Manager.

Hongkong, 4th December, 1907. [30]

NEDERLANDSCHE HANDEL- MAATSCHAPPIJ.

(Netherlands Trading Society.)

ESTABLISHED 1824.

PAID-UP CAPITAL Fl. 45,000,000 (£3,750,000).
RESERVE FUND Fl. 5,750,000 (£475,000).

Head Office—AMSTERDAM.

Head Agency—BATAVIA.

BRANCHES:—Singapore, Penang, Shanghai,
Rangoon, Samarra, Sourabaya, Cherbon,
Tagal, Pecalongan, Pasoroan, Tjilatjap,
Padang, Medan (Deli), Palembang, Kota-
Radja (Acheen), Bandjermasin.
Correspondents at Matassar, Bombay, Colombo,
Madras, Pondicherry, Calcutta, Bangkok,
Sigon, Haiphong, Hankow, Amoy,
Yokohama, Kobe, Melbourne, Sydney,
New York, San Francisco, &c.

LONDON BANKERS:
THE UNION OF LONDON AND SMITH'S
BANK, LIMITED.

THE Bank buys and sells and receives for
collection Bills of Exchange, issues
letters of credit on its Branches and correspondents
in the East, on the Continent, in
Great Britain, America, and Australia, and
transacts banking business of every description.

INTEREST ALLOWED.

On Current Accounts 2% per annum on daily
balances.
Fixed Deposits 12 months 4% per annum.
Do. 6 do. 4% do.
Do. 3 do. 3% do.
Do. 1 do. 2% do.
J. L. VAN HOUTEN,
Agent.

Hongkong, 16th July 1908. [26]

HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

PAID-UP CAPITAL \$15,000,000
RESERVE FUNDS \$14,000,000

STERLING
\$1,500,000 at 2/11= \$11,000,000
SILVER
\$1,500,000 at 1/10= \$10,000,000
RESERVE LIABILITY OF PROPRIETORS \$15,000,000

COURT OF DIRECTORS:

K. Shollin, Esq.—Chairman.
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E. G. Barrett, Esq. O. R. Leimann, Esq.
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Hongkong—J. R. M. SMITH

MANAGER:

Shanghai—W. ADAMS ORAM.

LONDON BANKERS—LONDON AND COUNTY

BANKING COMPANY, LIMITED.

HONGKONG—INTEREST ALLOWED:

On Current Account at the rate of 2 per Cent.

per annum on the daily balance.

ON FIXED DEPOSITS:

For 3 months, 2 1/2 per Cent. per annum.

For 6 months, 3 per Cent. per annum.

For 12 months, 4 per Cent. per annum.

J. R. M. SMITH,
Chief Manager.

Hongkong, 22nd August, 1908. [24]

HONGKONG SAVINGS BANK.

THE Business of the above Bank is conducted
by the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI
BANKING CORPORATION. Rules may be
obtained on application.

INTEREST on deposits is allowed at 3 1/2 PER
CENT. per annum.

Depositors may transfer at their option
balances of \$100 or more to the HONGKONG AND
SHANGHAI BANK to be placed on FIXED
DEPOSIT at 4 PER CENT. per annum.

FOR THE HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI
BANKING CORPORATION,

J. R. M. SMITH,
Chief Manager.

Hongkong, 12th January, 1907. [28]

THE CHARTERED BANK OF INDIA, AUSTRALIA AND CHINA.

INCORPORATED BY ROYAL CHARTER, 1853.

HEAD OFFICE:—LONDON.

PAID-UP CAPITAL £1,200,000

RESERVE FUND £1,225,000

RESERVE LIABILITIES OF PROPRIETORS £1,200,000

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INTEREST ALLOWED on CURRENT
ACCOUNT at the Rate of 2 per cent. per
annum on the Daily Balances.

On Fixed Deposits for 12 months 4 per cent.

" " 6 " 3 1/2 " "

" " 3 " 3 " "

" " 1 " 2 " "

JOHN ARMSTRONG,
Manager.

Hongkong, 13th May, 1908. [29]

INTERNATIONAL BANKING CORPORATION.

CAPITAL PAID UP GOLD \$1,250,000

ABOUT MEX \$7,222,222

RESERVE FUND GOLD \$5,250,000

ABOUT MEX \$7,222,222

HEAD OFFICE:

60 WALL STREET, NEW YORK.

LONDON OFFICE:

THREADNEEDLE HOUSE, E.C.

LONDON BANKERS:

BANK OF ENGLAND.

NATIONAL PROVINCIAL BANK OF
ENGLAND, LIMITED.

THE CAPITAL AND COUNTIES BANK, LTD.

BRANCHES AND AGENTS ALL OVER THE
WORLD.

THE Corporation transacts every Description
of Banking and Exchange Business,
receives Money in Current Account at the
rate of 2 1/2 per cent. on daily balances and accepts
Fixed Deposits at the following rates:—
For 12 months 4 1/2 per cent. per annum.
" 6 " 4 " " "
" 3 " 3 " " "
" 1 " 2 " " "
No. 9, Queen's Road Central,
Hongkong.
W. M. ANDERSON,
Manager.

Hongkong, 18th April, 1908. [25]

Mails.

PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL

STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

FOR STEAMERS TO SAIL ON REMARKS.

SHANGHAI DELTA About 1st Freight and
Capt. B. W. H. Snow Oct. Passage.
LONDON, &c., via usual Ports DEVANHA 3rd Oct. See Special
Capt. T. H. Hilde, R.N. Noon, Advertisement.
LONDON and ANTWERP via NORE About 7th Freight and
SINGAPORE, PENANG, Capt. G. Philipps Oct. Passage.
COLOMBO, PORT SAID
and MARSEILLES
SHANGHAI, MOJI, KOBE & POONA About 11th Freight only.
YOKOHAMA Capt. A. F. Vine, R.N. Oct.

For Further Particulars, apply to

F. J. ABBOTT,

Acting Superintendent.

Hongkong, 26th September, 1908. [7]

Intimations.

LANE, CRAWFORD & CO.

LADIES' DEPARTMENT.

SPECIAL BARGAIN SALE

OF

SUMMER AND AUTUMN GOODS

INCLUDING

HATS, COSTUMES, SKIRTS, BLOUSES,

HOSIERY, ETC.

Sale commences MONDAY, Sept. 28th.

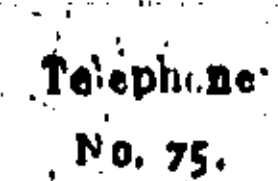
Sale closes SATURDAY, Oct. 3rd.

LANE, CRAWFORD & CO. [38]

V. O. S.

EXTRA SPECIAL FINEST
LIQUEUR

ARE THE BEST WHISKIES OBTAINABLE.



Telephone
No. 75.

SOLE AGENTS:

CALDBECK, MACGREGOR & CO.,

WINE AND SPIRIT MERCHANTS,

15, Queen's Road Central.

Hongkong, 22nd September, 1908. [140]

THE SAVOY,

13, Queen's Road Central.

FIRST CLASS GOODS:

New Regal Shoes and Monarch

Shirts.

Outfitters.

W. B. Corsets.

Ladies' Shoes.

Embroidered Linen and Swatow

Drawn Work, &c.

Hongkong, 2nd July, 1908. [63]

INTERNATIONAL SLEEPING CAR

and

EXPRESS TRAINS Co.

(THE

GREAT TRANS-SIBERIAN ROUTE

TO EUROPE.)

HAVING been appointed AGENTS for

the above Company, we shall be

pleased to give any information as to rates of

passage, &c., in connection with above.

SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.

Agents.

Hongkong, 31st July, 1907. [67]

HOTEL CRAIGIEBURN,

PLUMET'S GAP, the PEAK, near the TRAM TERMINUS. Tel. 56.

For Terms, &c., apply to the

MANAGER.

Hongkong, 2nd July, 1900. [5]

Shipping—Steamers

HONGKONG, CANTON, MACAO

AND

WEST RIVER STEAMERS.

JOINT SERVICE OF

THE HONGKONG, CANTON AND MACAO STEAMBOAT CO., LTD., AND

THE CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY, LTD.

HONGKONG-CANTON LINE.

S.S. "HONAM" 2,363 Tons, "FATSHAN" 2,260 Tons, "KINSHAN" 1,995 Tons,
"HEUNGSHAN" 1,998 Tons.

Departures from HONGKONG to CANTON daily at 8 A.M. (Sunday excepted), 10 A.M.

(Saturday excepted).

Departures from CANTON to HONGKONG daily at 8 A.M. and 5.30 P.M. (Sunday excepted).

These Steamers, carrying His Majesty's Mails, are the largest and fastest on the River

Special attention is drawn to their Superior Saloon and Cabin Accommodation.

SERVICE OF THE HONGKONG, CANTON AND MACAO STEAMBOAT CO., LTD.

HONGKONG-MACAO LINE.

S.S. "SUI-AN" 1,651 Tons and "SUI-TAI" 1,651 Tons.

Departures from Hongkong to Macao on week days at 8 A.M. from the Company's Wing

Lok Street Wharf and at 2 P.M. from the Company's Wharf.

REDUCED SALOON RATES AT WEEK-END.

Saturday A.M. or P.M. departure, returning Sunday A.M. or P.M. \$5.00

Do. do. do. Monday do. \$6.00

CANTON-MACAO LINE.

S.S. "HOI-SANG."

Departures from MACAO to CANTON on Monday, Wednesday and Friday, at 9 P.M.

Departures from CANTON to MACAO on Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday, at 5 P.M.

JOINT SERVICE OF

HONGKONG, CANTON AND MACAO STEAMBOAT CO., LTD.,

THE CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY, LTD., AND THE INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION

COMPANY, LTD.

CANTON-WUCHOW LINE.

S.S. "SAINAM," 588 Tons, and "NANNING," 565 Tons.

One of the above steamers leaves Canton for Wuchow every Monday, Wednesday and

Friday, at about 8 A.M., and the other leaves Wuchow for Canton on the same days at 8.30 A.M.

Round trips take about 5 days. These vessels have Superior Cabin Accommodation and are

lighted throughout by electricity.

EXCURSION TO MACAO.

On SUNDAY, 4th October,

S.S. "HEUNGSHAN"

will depart from the COMPANY'S WING LOK STREET WHARF, at 9 A.M.

Departure from Macao at 8 P.M.

Popular Excursion Rates as usual.

Machado's String Band will play selections of Music during the trip.

S.S. Sui An and Sui Tai will not run on Sunday, the 4th October.

Further particulars may be obtained at the Office of the—

HONGKONG, CANTON & MACAO STEAMBOAT CO., LD.,

HOTEL MANSIONS, (FIRST FLOOR),

opposite the Hongkong Hotel. [6]

Hotels.

HONGKONG HOTEL.

FIRST CLASS AND UP-TO-DATE.

Military Band during dinner on Saturday Nights

A. F. DAVIES,

Manager. [1]

Hongkong, 31st June, 1907.

CONNAUGHT HOTEL,

HONGKONG.

A FIRST-CLASS EUROPEAN HOTEL

SITUATED IN THE MAIN STREET NEAR THE BANKS AND PRINCIPAL OFFICES

STRICTLY EUROPEAN MANAGEMENT.

Wines and Spirits of the very Best Quality

Bath to Every Room.

Hot and Cold Water Throughout.

Hotel Lunch Meets all Steamers.

Special Terms for Tourists and Parties or Families.

FOR TERMS APPLY TO—

THE MANAGER & AGENT

HOTEL PLEASANTON,

No. 17, Water Street, Yokohama.

FIRST CLASS PRIVATE HOTEL—Newly Opened and Furnished Suites or Single

Rooms, Private Baths, Modern Sanitary Fittings, Electric Light, Up-to-date Appoint-

ments, Renowned Cuisine, Dark Room for Photographers. Charges Moderate.

HENRY LUTZ,

Manager.

Hongkong, 16th July, 1908. [17]

THE GRAND CARLTON HOTEL

8 & 10, Ice House Road—Telephone No. 812.

WILL OPEN ON 1st OCTOBER NEXT.

The Most Luxurious, Quiet and Comfortable Private Residence.
Absolutely free from the Nerve-torturing Noises of the Streets of the
City.

Forty Large Rooms Elegantly Furnished.

Matron in attendance. Excellent Cuisine.

Terms very moderate.

Tel. Address: "Grand."

O. E. OWEN,

Proprietor.

Mails.

NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD,

BREMER.

IMPERIAL GERMAN MAIL LINE

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
NAPLES, GENOA, GIBRALTAR, SOUTHAMPTON, ANTWERP and HAMBURG	"LUTZOW" Capt. C. Dewers	WEDNESDAY, Noon, 7th October.
SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE and YOKOHAMA	"PRINCESS ALICE" Capt. G. Rott	About WEDNESDAY, 7th October.
MANILA, YAP, NEW GUINEA, BRISBANE, SYDNEY and MELBOURNE	"PRINZ WALDEMAR" Capt. W. v. Senden	THURSDAY, 5 P.M., 8th October.
KUDAT and SANDAKAN	"BORNEO" Capt. F. Sembill	Middle of October.

For further Particulars, apply to

NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD.

MELCHERS & CO.,

GENERAL AGENTS, HONGKONG & CHINA.

Hongkong, 25th September, 1908.

MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

FRENCH MAIL LINES.

FORTNIGHTLY SERVICE TO and FROM EUROPE via SUEZ CANAL.
TO and FROM JAPAN via SHANGHAI.

FOR	STEAMERS	CAPTAINS	TO SAIL ON
MARSEILLES, VIA PORTS	ERNEST SIMONS	Girard	29th Sept., at 1 P.M.
SHANGHAI, KOBE, YOKOHAMA	POLYNESE	Broc	12th Oct., P.M.
MARSEILLES, VIA PORTS	VILLE DE LA CIOTAT	Barillon	13th Oct., at 1 P.M.

Transshipment on the Co's Steamers at Singapore for Batavia; at Colombo for Calcutta, Bombay and Australia; at Port Said for the Levant, Constantinople and Black Sea.

Through Tickets to London via Paris from £27.10 up to £71.10. 20 hours' railway from Marseilles to London.

Interpreters meet passengers at their arrival in Marseilles.

For further particulars, apply to

P. NALIN,

ACTING AGENT,

QUEEN'S BUILDINGS.

Hongkong, 28th September, 1908.

CHARGEURS RÉUNIS.

FRENCH STEAMSHIP Co.—HEAD OFFICE: PARIS.

ALL ROUND THE WORLD LINE.

Outward: ANTWERP, DUNKIRK, LA PALICE, MARSEILLES, GENOA, NAPLES, COLOMBO, via SUEZ, SINGAPORE, HONGKONG, CHINA, WANTAO (Peking, Tientsin), KOBE, YOKOHAMA, GENOA to HONGKONG in 30 DAYS.

NAPLES

Unique opportunity to make a tour in North-China and Japan with the Greatest Speed and Safety and Comfort.

Trans-Pacific: VICTORIA (B.C.), VANCOUVER, SEATTLE, SAN FRANCISCO. Connecting with the Canadian Pacific Railway.

FREIGHT TO OVERLAND via VANCOUVER.

PASSENGERS TO OVERLAND AND EUROPE via VANCOUVER.

YOKOHAMA—VANCOUVER 15 DAYS.

LONDON AND PARIS 20

Homeward: MEXICO, RIVER PLATE, BRAZIL, LA PALICE, LIVERPOOL, via MAGELLAN STRAITS.

Proposed Sailings:

* AMIRAL OLRY 12th Oct.	† CORSE 11th Jan., 1909.
† OBYLAN 26th Nov.	

† New Twin Screw 16,000 Tons displacement, 1st class accommodation, splendidly equipped with single berth cabins.

Intermediate class and rates of passage.

All round the world ticket by these boats, &c.

For further Particulars, apply to

P. NALIN, FRENCH MAIL OFFICE.

Hongkong, 19th September, 1908.

WEST RIVER BRITISH STEAMSHIP COMPANIES.

HONGKONG-WUCHOW LINE.

THE Steamers "LINTAN" and "SAN-UI" SAIL FROM HONGKONG TWICE A WEEK AND COMPLETE THE ROUND TRIP IN 4 DAYS.

These steamers have Excellent Saloon Accommodation, and are Lighted Throughout by Electricity.

THE CLIMATE ON THE WEST RIVER DURING THE WINTER MONTHS IS VERY FINE AND EXHILATING.

For further information apply to—

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,

AGENTS.

WEST RIVER BRITISH S.S. COMPANIES.

Hongkong 28th March, 1908.

Intimation.

THE YOKOHAMA DOCK CO., LTD.

No. 1 DOCK.

Length inside 514 ft.—Width of entrance, top 95 ft.; bottom 75 ft. Water on blocks, 27.5 ft. Time to pump out, 4 hours.

No. 2 DOCK.

Length inside, 375 ft.—Width of entrance, top 80.5 ft.; bottom 45.8 ft. Water on blocks, 26.5 ft. Time to pump out, 3 hours.

THESE DOCKS are conveniently situated in Yokohama harbour and the attention of Captains and Engineers is respectfully called to the advantages offered for Docking and repairing Vessels and Machinery of every description.

The plant and tools are of recent patterns for dealing quickly and cheaply with work and a large stock of material is always at hand, (plates and angles all being tested by Lloyd's surveyors).

Two powerful Twin Screw Towboats are available for taking Vessels in or out of Dock, and for taking Sailing Vessels in or out of the bay. The floating derrick is capable of lifting 35 tons.

Steam Launches of Steel or Wood, Lighters, Steel Buildings and Roofs, Bridge Work, and all kinds of Machinery are made on the premises.

Tenders will be made up when required and the workmanship and material will be guaranteed.

The cost of Docking, and repair work, will be found to compare favourably with that of any port in the world.

Telephone: Nos. 376, 506, or 681.

Telegrams, "Dock, Yokohama," Codes A. B. O. 4th and 6th Edt.

Lieber, Scotts, A. 1, and Watkins.

Yokohama, May 23rd, 1905.

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Shipping—Steamers.

JAVA-CHINA-JAPAN LIJN.

REGULAR THREE-WEEKLY SERVICE

BETWEEN

JAVA, CHINA, AND JAPAN.

Steamer	From	Expected on or about	Will leave for	On or about
TJIBODAS	JAPAN	Second half Sept.	JAVA	Second half Sept.
TJILIWONG	JAVA	First half Oct.	SHANGHAI	First half Oct.
TJIPANAS	JAPAN	Second half Oct.	JAVA	Second half Oct.
TJILATJAP	JAVA	Second half Oct.	SHANGHAI	Second half Oct.
TJIKINI	JAVA	Second half Oct.	JAPAN	Second half Oct.
TJIMAH	JAVA	First half Nov.	SHANGHAI	First half Nov.

The Steamers are all fitted throughout with Electric Light and have Accommodation for a limited number of Saloon Passengers, and will take Cargo to all Netherland India Ports on through Bills of Lading.

For Particulars of Freight and Passage, apply to

JAVA-CHINA-JAPAN LIJN.

Telephone No. 375.

YORK BUILDINGS, 1st floor,

Hongkong, 25th September, 1908.

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MESSAGERIES CANTONNAISES.

FRENCH LINE OF STEAMERS BETWEEN HONGKONG, CANTON AND KOUANG-SI.

S.S. "PAUL BEAU," 1,900 tons, 14 knots.

S.S. "CHARLES HARDOUIN," 1,900 tons, 14 knots.

The speediest, most luxuriously appointed and punctual steamers on the line. Departure from Hongkong at 10 P.M. (Saturdays excepted).

Departure from Canton at 5.15 P.M. (Sundays excepted).

These superb steamers carrying the French Mail are fitted throughout with Electric Light and Fans and were specially built for this trade. Excellent cuisine.

The Company's Own Wharf near Wing Lok Street.

Canton Agents:—Messrs. E. Faquet & Co.

For further particulars, please apply to—

BARRETTO & CO.,

Agents.

Hongkong, 28th March, 1908.

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Auctions.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned have received instructions to sell by PUBLIC AUCTION, FOR ACCOUNT OF THE CONCERNED, TO-MORROW, the 29th September, 1908, at 2.30 P.M., at their Sales Rooms, No. 8, Des Voeux Road, corner of Ice House Street, AN ASSORTMENT OF JAPANESE CURIOS, Comprising:—

ANTIMONY WARE, BRONZE FIGURES, JAPANESE SWORDS, SATSUMA WARE, OLD CLOCKS, CARVED IVORY FIGURES, &c., &c.

TERMS:—As usual.

HUGHES & HOUGH,

Auctioneers.

Hongkong, 28th September, 1908.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned have received instructions to sell by PUBLIC AUCTION, FOR ACCOUNT OF THE CONCERNED, ON WEDNESDAY & THURSDAY, the 30th September and 1st October, 1908, at 2.30 P.M., at No. 172, Queen's Road Central.

SUNDRY HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE,

Comprising:—TEAKWOOD SIDEBOARDS with BEVELLED GLASS, IRON BEDSTEPS, GLASS, CROCKERY and K.P. WARE, OVERMANTLES, quantity of BRASS WARE, PHOTOGRAPHIC APPARATUS, &c., &c.

Catalogues will be issued.

TERMS:—As usual.

HUGHES & HOUGH,

Auctioneers.

Hongkong, 26th September, 1908.

Intimations.

THE IMPERIAL COLONIAL CLUB.

THE above Club is formed chiefly for COLONIAL and OVER-SEA MEMBERS; it is situated at No. 81, Piccadilly (the centre of Clubland), opposite the Green Park.

The Club has a Bridge Section, Reception, Dining, Billiard Room, Smoking Lounge, Reading Room and Library.

Ladies are eligible as Members. Entrance Fee, Five Guineas, Annual Subscription, Five Guineas.

Further particulars from THE ORGANISING SECRETARY, 84, Piccadilly, W.

London, 19th August, 1908.

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GREEN ISLAND CEMENT COMPANY, LIMITED.

PORTLAND CEMENT.

In Casks of 37½ lbs. net \$5.50 per Cask ex Factory.

In Bags of 50 lbs. net \$9.45 per Bag ex Factory.

SHEWAN TOMES & CO., General Managers.

Hongkong, 15th August, 1908.

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PEAK TRAMWAYS COMPANY, LIMITED.

TIME TABLE.

WEEK DAYS.

7.00 a.m. to 9.30 a.m. ... Every 10 minutes.
9.30 a.m. to 12.00 a.m. ... Every 15 minutes.
12.00 a.m. to 12.45 p.m. ... Every 15 minutes.
12.45 p.m. to 1.15 p.m. ... Every 10 minutes.
1.15 p.m. to 1.45 p.m. ... Every 15 minutes.
1.45 p.m. to 2.15 p.m. ... Every 10 minutes.
2.15 p.m. to 3.00 p.m. ... Every 15 minutes.
3.00 p.m. to 3.30 p.m. ... Every 15 minutes.
3.30 p.m. to 5.00 p.m. ... Every 10 minutes.
5.00 p.m. to 6.00 p.m. ... Every 10 minutes.

NIGHT CARS. 8.45 p.m. and 11.15 p.m. every half hour.

SUNDAYS.
8.00 a.m. to 9.00 a.m. ... Every 15 minutes.
9.00 a.m. to 9.30 a.m. ... Every 30 minutes.
9.30 a.m. to 10.30 a.m. ... Every 15 minutes.
10.30 a.m. to 11.00 a.m. ... Every 10 minutes.
11.00 a.m. to 12.00 noon ... Every 15 minutes.
12.00 noon to 1.00 p.m. ... Every 10 minutes.
1.00 p.m. to 1.50 p.m. ... Every 15 minutes.
1.50 p.m. to 2.00 p.m. ... Every 10 minutes.
2.00 p.m. to 3.00 p.m. ... Every 15 minutes.
3.00 p.m. to 4.00 p.m. ... Every 10 minutes.

NIGHT CARS as on Week Days.

SATURDAYS.
Extra cars at 3.15 p.m., 11.30 p.m. and 11.45 p.m.

SPECIAL CARS by Arrangement at the Company's Office, ALEXANDRA BUILDINGS, Des Voeux Road Central.

JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON, General Managers.

Hongkong, 26th March, 1908.

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D. NOMA,

PROFESSIONAL TATTOOER.

AND THE EXPERT REMOVER OF TATTOO MARKS.

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Hongkong, 22nd September, 1908.

THE SUMMER-HOUSE MURDER.

HOW MRS. LUARD MET HER DEATH.

Sevenside, August 15.

The entire vigilance of a host of police officers and the independent inquiries of others from this morning's dawn till late at night have completely failed to pierce the grim mystery of the murder of Gen. Luard's wife. Indeed, the more the affair is investigated, and the more minutely every detail of the few facts that are known is examined, the less likelihood there seems of discovering the tragic secret held by that lonely, gloomy Kentish wood.

HAPPY MYSTERY.

The murder is abundant in all the most baffling elements of mystery and horror. The age of the victim—a lady of about 62; the universal term in which she was held; the remote and gloomy situation of the deserted summer-house in the heart of the wood, at least half a mile from the nearest occupied house; the length of time that elapsed before the murder was discovered—the poor lady must have lain dead on the verandah nearly two hours; the fact of the first discoverer of the crime being Gen. Luard's little dog; the absence of any footprints in the deep, unresponsive carpet of pine-needles and decayed leaves which form the floor of the wood; and, the absence, also, of any credible motive for the crime—all these combine not only to thwart the work of the detectives, but to increase the pity and the terror of the whole tragedy.

THE HUNGLOV.

Of these factors, the most impressive is the profound gloom and silence of the situation of the summer-house. It stands in the grounds of Frackfield, the residence of Mrs. Wilkinson—a commodious bungalow, with several rooms, mostly furnished (though not unoccupied), roofed with tiles, walled with wood, and situated on one side by the balcony where the body was found. This balcony is a somewhat slender affair roughly composed of round wood uprights with a wooden rail along the top.

The house being built on the crest of a wooded hill, looking down into a deep, dark valley of fir trees, the floor of the balcony (which faces the valley) stands some two feet above the ground that slopes down and away from it. There is a rough clearing in front, but the path by which it would have to be approached by Mrs. Luard leads over the balcony floor and splits into two on the other side, one fork being the commencement of a short cut to Igham Knoll.

The trees, and the shaggy undergrowth of the wood, close round it on every side. There is nothing to be seen from it but trees and ferny thickets filling away into the depths of the valley, and no sound to be heard but the wind in the tall firs and the occasional scurry of a rabbit or twitter of a bird. It presents the very picture of abandoned solitude; a place marked out by Nature for grim deeds.

THE FATAL WALK.

The route followed by the general and his wife on the Monday afternoon covered about two miles—they were fond of taking these afternoon walks together about the beautiful locality of their rural home, for although well on in years—the general being near 70 and his wife about 62—they were an active pair, and as regards Mrs. Luard I am assured that she looked nearer 50 than 63.

The general has told the police—and also those helpers to whom he first went on making his terrible discovery, and who have to-day told me the story as they had it from him—that they left Igham Knoll, taking with them the general's Irish terrier, about three o'clock. They strolled gently by a private path leading nearly all the way through the Fish Pond Woods until they came, in about a mile, to a wicket-gate, giving out to the main road between the village of Stone-st. and Sevenside. Here the general said he would proceed some distance further to the pavilion of the golf links to get his golf club. His wife accordingly proposed that she should go home by herself, branching off by the wicket-gate path that led round the crest of the hill—still through the woods—past the summer-house, and back to the Knoll by a short cut.

FINDING THE BODY.

That was about a quarter past three. Her husband (taking the dog) went to the golf links, duly got his clubs, and went home by road through Stone-st., arriving at twenty minutes past four. He was surprised to find his wife had not returned, especially as a lady whom she had invited to tea had arrived and was waiting; and after delaying for a little while they went out to meet her, taking the short cut through the wood towards the summer-house by which they expected she would be returning. What happened then was told by the general to a reporter to-day as follows:—

"At the top of the hill I told the lady to wait while I went on to see what I could find. The Irish terrier scampered on ahead, and I saw him stop in front of the verandah of the summer-house."

"The wood was too thick for me to see anything, but when I got near to the spot I saw my wife's body lying on the ground. The Irish terrier was licking his mistress's face."

THE GENERAL'S GRIEF.

The general was too much overcome with grief to go any further; but we know that Mrs. Luard was lying dead on the floor of the balcony, in a pool of blood, with two revolver-shot wounds in her head—one behind the left ear and the other below the right eye; and the terrible hour which ensued upon the discovery was vividly depicted to me this afternoon by several of the helpers whom the general at once went in search of.

Plunging wildly down the steep hill through the fir trees, the agonised officer came after a mile to the cottage of Mr. Wickham, the coachman of Frackfield. Mrs. Wickham told me that grief and horror had so changed his features that she with difficulty recognised him.

"He was white as death, and his face seemed drawn and twisted with agony," said Mrs. Wickham. "He rushed into the garden gate and cried for my husband. I told him he was up at the house (Frackfield), and

asked if I could help him. 'Some great trouble has happened to you, sir,' I said; but he seemed as if he could only speak in gasps and groans and broken sentences. Beyond that he waited my husband. I could not make out what the matter was."

THEY HAVE MURDERED HER.

"So Mrs. Wickham hastened to the house and brought her husband. He gathered from the general's incoherent statements, that something terrible had happened to Mrs. Luard, but what it was he could not make out; so he persuaded the old man to accompany him to the house, where other help could be obtained.

The story is now taken up by Mr. Harding, the butler at Frackfield, who told me:

"I was called to the kitchen room by Mr. Kettle, the farm bailiff, and found the general sitting on a box in a terrible condition of grief. He seemed completely broken, and almost on the point of collapse so much so that we could not get any intelligible idea of what had happened to Mrs. Luard. He refused to take the brandy which we got for him, and at last I said, 'It is no use sitting here, sir; let us go back to the case.'"

"He agreed eagerly, and I led him back to the case. He was groaning and crying all the while, and could only walk by fits and starts, halting for a minute and then going on again. Between his groans I heard him say:

"The butler! They have killed her! And that was the first hint that I got that murder had been committed."

RINGS AND BROOCH STOLEN.

They were joined by Mr. Kettle, and came at last to the terrible scene on the balcony. Mr. Harding gave me a minute description of the condition of the body as he saw it. She lay, he said, on her face, in a pool of blood that had run from the two shot wounds on her face and drenched her white blouse to the waist. The posture was the one into which a falling body would naturally collapse except for this significant feature—her left arm had been pulled from under the body, the glove stripped from the hand; and three rings that she was wearing torn off her finger. The rings were:

One gold wedding ring;
One gold diamond ring, of 1 setting;
One gold ring with the word "Ishl," meaning "husband," in Oriental letters in blue enamel.

(It subsequently transpired that a gold brooch she had been wearing had also been removed.) The finger was cut in three places by the violent removal of the rings.

"The opinion I formed," said Mr. Harding, "was that she had been shot from behind, and then shot again as she lay on the ground."

The general's one idea now seemed to be to get the body of his murdered wife home; but Mr. Harding persuaded him to have the police informed first. This he at last agreed to, and was finally induced to accompany the butler back to Frackfield, while the police were sent for.

REMOVING THE BODY.

The last scene in which the general figured in this grim drama was at dusk—soon after eight, when the police having completed their observations, a fruit wagon was taken from Frackfield to the place where the body lay, and the murdered wife reverently placed within for removal to Igham Knoll. The bereaved old gentleman superintended all the sad proceedings; and when the body had been placed inside the wagon, walked ahead of the mournful procession all the way to the Knoll. The way lay entirely through the wood; beneath the deepening shadows thrown by the tall fir trees, the wagon creaked and jolted with its ghastly burden over the thick floor of pine needles and dead leaves, with the grief-stricken man stumbling at the head, and the escort of farm workers and house servants treading softly at its side. It was a scene of sombre tragedy never to be forgotten by those who took part in it.

SEARCHING THE WOODS.

No more that night did the wood know its accustomed solitude and silence. Police watchers remained to keep guard over the locked summer-house and the blood-soaked spot where murder had been done; and as soon as dawn permitted the search of the woods commenced. The entire police force of the district was pressed into service, and for hours the woods were alive with beaters. It was soon made clear, however, that the murderer had fled far from the scene of his crime. The woods were empty of all but police and journalists and photographers. The guilty man had, for the present at all events, escaped!

"We are entirely without a clue," I was told this evening by Col. Warde, the Chief Constable of Kent, who has taken command of the investigation, assisted by Detective-inspector Fowler (Maidstone), Detective-inspector Everett (Tonbridge), Superintendent Taylor (Sevenoaks), and Superintendent Ford (Malling).

THE POST-MORTEM.

To-day's most important event, therefore, has been the post-mortem examination conducted by two local doctors at Igham. This produced one fact of startlingly new interest—namely, that besides the two gunshot wounds on the head (which were evidently fired at close quarters), the body showed signs of a heavy blow having been received on the top of the skull. Thus, the unfortunate lady seems to have been bludgeoned first, and then shot—a somewhat difficult combination of attack, one would have thought; unless there were two assailants, one striking and the other shooting almost simultaneously. The two bullets took the doctors a long time to extract, and I am authoritatively informed that when they were got out it was found they were so smashed by purposes of comparison and identification. The only inference they suggested was that the revolver used was an old one.

The fact that the body lay on the verandah has caused a good deal of mystification, as it suggests at first blush that Mrs. Luard had stopped at the summer-house with the intent of entering; but it is not at all strange when it is remembered that the quickest way from the path was leaving to the new one that she would take for the Knoll would be by way of

the verandah—it saved her taking a journey right round the summer-house. The obvious inference is that her assailant, if there was only one, was hiding at the back of the house, and as she stepped on to the verandah, glided rapidly round the side of the house and fell upon her with the bludgeon from behind.

THEORIES AS TO THE CRIMINAL.

Who did it? A theory largely in favour this morning was that the crime was committed by one of the horde of hoppers who have just invaded Kent for the annual picking. Many of these are men who tramp from London, and would pass along the main road to Maidstone quite close to the wood where the lonely summer-house stands. But the tramp or hopper theory, I know, does not find much favour with those responsible for the conduct of investigations. The roads are thronged with tramping hoppers, and there are several gipsy camps near by, but to imagine any of these poor creatures going about armed is beyond belief. The points in common in the case with the C. M. murder, where the assailant evidently stole the weapon with which he committed the crime, cannot, however, be neglected by the careful investigator.

I am warned to-night that too much importance must not be attached to the idea that the unfortunate lady was bludgeoned before being shot. The marks may be equally consistent with one of the bullets striking the interior of the skull.

POLICE FILED.

In any case, the result of the day's inquiries has been to throw down the earlier theories adopted by the police, and to leave the case a greater mystery than ever. I am assured by the police to-night that the stories of a man having been leaving Major Gen. Luard's estate about the time of the murder, and that they are in possession of a description of the stranger, are erroneous.

I learn, however, that the police have been busy inquiring throughout the neighbourhood for persons suspected of insanity tendencies, and learning what their movements were on the afternoon in question.

The inquest will be held to-morrow (Wednesday) afternoon at 3.15 at Igham Knoll.

THE LUARD FAMILY.

General's distinguished career in the Army. Mrs. Luard, the victim of the terrible tragedy, was a Miss Hartley, daughter of Mr. Thomas Hartley, of Gifford, Cumberland, and was married to Gen. Luard in 1875.

The general himself belongs to an old Huguenot family, which at one time occupied a prominent position in the commercial life of the City. Many subsequent members of the family have been in the army. Gen. Luard, who is 63 years of age, is the son of the late Major Luard-Selby, of Igham Mole, and entered the Royal Engineers when 17 years of age; and during his 30 years' service he had a varied military experience.

He was one of the officers at Woolwich in October, 1868, when a tremendous explosion took place at the Earth gunpowder works. A thousand barrels of gunpowder, each holding nearly a hundredweight, exploded. Thirteen or fourteen men were killed, and a large number seriously injured. Quite a hundred yards of the embankment in front of the works was blown into the Thames, and it was only by the strenuous labours of the g. r. men, led by the engineer, among them young Luard, that the low-lying district around Woolwich and Erith was saved from a devastating flood.

As a captain he devised the scheme for the rearmament on up-to-date lines of Gibraltar in 1871. In the meantime he had paid a visit to the Sultan of Morocco, as he had been selected to accompany a mission to the African monarch. The year 1884 saw him in Natal in charge of the Royal Engineers there, with the rank of lieutenant-colonel. He spent two or three years there engaged in survey and studying the country in which Gen. Buller's army afterwards fought its fight. But on political grounds he was withdrawn from the work before it was completed.

During the Fenian scare of 1867 Gen. Luard, then a captain, was appointed an executive officer in London. On retiring from the army he devoted himself to county work, and for 14 years he was a member of the Kent County Council.

Gen. and Mrs. Luard had two sons, Eric Dalbiac, the younger, who served in South Africa with the Royal West Kent Regiment, died in Somaliland in 1903. The elder, who has the D.S.O., is Capt. Charles Embairat Luard. He was decorated for conspicuous service with the King's African Rifles at Abassi.—*London Morning Leader.*

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EXCEEDINGLY WEAK.

and the nature of her malady caused her to lose rest and sleep at times—a serious matter to a woman of her advanced years. Her appearance became so unhealthy that friends warned my wife and I that we would need to be very careful of her."

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NOTICE.

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E. SHELLIM, Chairman.

Hongkong, 24th September, 1908. [169]

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NOTICE.

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"JAPAN," having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods will be delivered from alongside.

Cargo impeding the discharge will be landed at Consignees' risk and expense into the hazardous and/or extra hazardous godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Limited.

No Fire Insurance has been effected. Bills of Lading will be counter-signed by the Underwriter.

DAVID SASSOON & Co., LIMITED, Agents. Hongkong, 21st September, 1908. [358]

FROM EUROPE.

THE H. A. L. Steamship.

"LIBERIA."

Captain Knaiss, having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading for countersignature by the Underwriter and to take immediate delivery of their goods from alongside.

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No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 30th inst., will be subject to rent.

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All Claims must reach us before the 4th of October, 1908, or they will not be recognised. No Fire Insurance will be effected.

Bills of Lading will be counter-signed by the Underwriter. NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD, MELCHERS & Co., General Agents. Hongkong, 24th September, 1908. [18]

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On September 21, 1908, at Shanghai, the wife of H. T. MONTAGUE BELL, of a daughter.

MARRIAGE.

On Sunday, September 22, 1908, at Shanghai, JOSHUA, AARON to Miss FLORA EZRA of Shanghai, F. J. Solomon, Celebrant.

DEATH.

On September 19, 1908, at Chinkiang, WILLIAM HENRY WALLACE, only son of the late William Brooman, I. M. Customs, aged 39 years.

The Hongkong Telegraph

HONGKONG, MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 28, 1908.

JAPANESE SHIPPING DEPRESSION.

The shipping trade all over the world is in a very depressed state, but nowhere is the outlook more gloomy than in Japan. A shipping expert recently gave it as his opinion that peculiar circumstances accounted for the particularly bad condition of Japan's maritime trade. First of all, there is the Chinese boycott, to which we have several times referred in this column. Not only is the boycott at Canton and Hongkong directed against Japanese goods, but foreign goods carried by Japanese vessels are also affected so that shippers from foreign ports refuse to make use of Japan as a carrier to China. The result of the boycott is that foreign goods are rapidly supplanting Japanese articles in the Chinese markets. Another factor is one not by any means peculiar to Japan, and that is the rapid increase in the tonnage of the mercantile fleet, especially since the war. This has, of course, led to tremendous competition now that times are bad, and the lowering of freight rates. As in our own country, many vessels have had to be laid up. There are other factors, as, for instance, the reduction in the American trade, the increased cost of coal and higher wages, all of which tend to accentuate the depression.—*Pail Mail Gazette.*

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

THE new Russian Minister to Peking was received in special audience by their Majesties on Sunday when his Excellency presented his credentials.

THE Admiralty announce the appointment of Assistant Paymaster E. C. Blanchflower to the *Tamara*, additional, as secretary to Commodore Lyon, to date 18th ult.

THE *N. C. D. News* understands that the Ministry of Posts and Communications intends to reduce the telegraph rates by twenty per cent, with commencement of the first moon of next year (January 25, 1909).

At a meeting of the Board of Directors of the North-China Insurance Co. Ltd., held at Shanghai on 22nd inst., a final dividend on account of 1907 was declared of 71 per cent on the paid-up capital, and a bonus of 15 per cent to contributors.

THE Viceroy of the Two Kwang provinces, H. E. Chang Jen-chun, has telegraphed to the Waiwupu asking that Department to oppose all attempts of the Netherlands Government to gain permission to enroll coolies from Kwangtung province to work at the mines in the Dutch possessions.

THE French Minister in Peking having complained to the Waiwupu that the Likin Bureau at Kiangchow, Hainan, has been levying duty on ox-hides in that island, that Ministry at once telegraphed to the Viceroy of the Two Kwang provinces, asking whether the charge is true, and ordering an investigation into the matter.

RETURN of visitors to the City Hall Library for the week ending the 27th September, 1908.—The Museum was opened on Monday, the 28th.

Non-Chinese	375
Chinese	200
Total	575

Mr. Justice Gompertz reserved his decision in the Supreme Court, this morning, in the case in which Mr. W. L. Weaver, architect and surveyor, of 88, Des Vaux Road Central, brought an action against Long Hing and Company, photographers, 17, Queen's Road Central, for the return of his camera; or in the alternative its value—\$50. His Lordship intimated that he will deliver his decision on Friday next.

TO-MORROW morning, the Puisne Judge (Mr. H. H. J. Gompertz) will give his decision in the case in which Mr. P. W. Goldring, a solicitor, of the firm of Goldring, Barlow and Morrell, claimed the sum of \$500 damages from the Humphreys Estate and Finance Company, Limited, for alleged breach of contract. The plaintiff in this claim alleged that the defendant firm failed to comply with an agreement, whereby they undertook to keep the roof and exterior walls of the premises he occupied at Kowloon in a proper state of repair and amendment.

THE exemplary fine of \$1,000 was imposed by Mr. J. H. Kemp this morning, on three men, Ip Chuan, Woo Ping Yao, and Wong Wing, with no occupation and no fixed place of abode for unlawfully secreting themselves on board the s.s. *Theriac* with intent to obtain a passage from Hongkong to Tacoma without the consent of the owner, charterer, agent, master or other person in charge thereof on the 27th instant. Mr. E. A. G. May, of Messrs. Dodwell & Co., prosecuted, and Lance-Sergeant J. C. Wilden, of the Water Police, appeared on behalf of the Police.

KWAN Kam, a youth twenty-two years of age, without any occupation or fixed abode, was charged before Mr. J. H. Kemp at the Police Court, this morning, with having returned from banishment. Kwam, who is a native of Sam-chun village, in the district of Sun On, was banished from the Colony for a period of five years from the 12th of August last. He was found in Hongkong yesterday and hurriedly marched to headquarters. A look of supreme delight illumined his features when sentence of six months' imprisonment with hard labour was passed, the defendant evidently preferring prison life to that of banishment.

NO KONG, an unemployed Chinaman residing at 5, New Market Street, was charged at the Police Court, this morning, with (1) feloniously stealing a silver watch and chain and two jade-stone appendages, valued at \$10, the property of 'Ho Chuk Ting, a broker, of 5, New Market Street, on the 27th instant, and (2) with furnishing false information as to his name and place of abode to one Li Cheng, an accountant in the Ki Shang pawnshop at No. 185, Queen's Road Central, with reference to the pawnings of the silver watch and chain and the two jade-stone appendages. When the defendant was searched at the time of his arrest, 87 odd cents, a pawn ticket, a knife and a girdle were found on his person. He was sentenced to one month's imprisonment on the first charge and with fourteen days on the second.

TYPHOON WARNING.

The American Consulate-General received the following telegrams from the Manila Observatory to-day:—

Cyclone or typhoon E. of Luzon, more than 300 miles distant; direction unknown.

4.15 p.m.

Cyclone or typhoon E. of Manila, more than 300 miles distant, moving W. or W.N.W.

Lawyer's Sensational Suicide.

DEATH OF MR. REGINALD HARDING.

HONGKONG SOLICITOR SHOTS HIMSELF THROUGH THE HEAD.

Quite a sensation was created in the Colony at an early hour this morning when the news of the suicide of Mr. Reginald Harding, a local solicitor, became known. The intelligence was received in many quarters, especially among the legal fraternity, with sorrow, for Mr. Harding was a very popular figure with those who knew him.

About eight days ago Mr. Reginald Harding, who was accompanied by a lady, who was believed to have been his wife, engaged a room in the Connaught Hotel. He was allotted a room (No. 23) on the second storey. From the time the room was occupied nothing untoward happened, until this morning, to attract any attention to room No. 23.

But at an early hour this morning—to be precise at half-past seven o'clock—an hour when most of the guests in the hotel were either at breakfast, or rising from their beds, a loud report of a gun sounded throughout the building. Immediately afterwards a bell was heard ringing, a glance at the indicator showed that Room 23 was calling, and this was followed by shrieks—loud and piercing—coming from the second floor.

A "boy" who had gone in answer to the call, returned a minute or so later, showing every sign of alarm and, rushing to the ground floor, made his way into the manager's office, informing that gentleman that he was wanted in Room 23.

By this time the news had got about by some means or another. A number of women, hastily dressed, no doubt, and men, a few in their hurry forgot their coats, and a few foreigners, who had suspected that something out of the ordinary was going on, lined the passage way on the first floor, outside the dining room—everyone eager to learn the cause of the excitement.

A Hongkong Telegraph representative appeared on the scene at this juncture, just as the manager was proceeding to investigate the news he had received from the "boy." Proceeding to Room No. 23 he found the room door ajar. Inside he saw a lady pacing the room, weeping bitterly, and from her he learnt of the tragedy—the tragedy which had taken away from the Bar of Hongkong one of its foremost members. "Mr. Harding has shot himself," she said, "and after she had regained control of herself, 'in the verandah.'"

There the dead body of the solicitor was found in a rattan arm chair. His legs were stretched forward, the toe of the right foot partly touching the heel of the left; his head was hanging over the side of the chair in close proximity to the wall. At his feet lay a Browning revolver, which, on examination, was found to be minus a cartridge. A bullet wound on the right temple and an opening just below the base of the skull showed just where the bullet had ploughed its way. In the meantime a doctor had been sent for and on his arrival he pronounced that death was instantaneous. Headquarters were then notified of the affair, and Police Sergeant Lee had the remains sent to the mortuary.

Last night everything seemed all right in Room 23. After dinner, Mr. Harding and his lady proceeded to their room, from where a little while later some popular songs were heard being played on a gramophone. At about ten o'clock or thereabouts all was quiet. Between six-thirty and seven o'clock this morning, it would appear that Mr. Harding awoke, and proceeded to dress himself, leaving the lady asleep. At 8 he had adjusted his collar and tie, he went to his wardrobe, got out the revolver, which was fully loaded, and went to the verandah, where he seated himself on the arm chair. The rest is already known. Placing the muzzle of the fire-arm against his right temple he pulled the trigger, the bullet, as already stated, passing through his head and leaving just below the base of the skull. When the police arrived they made a search for the bullet, but, so far as we know, it has not been found. And so a promising career has been ended.

Mr. Reginald Harding was a man of about thirty-three years of age. He came out to this Colony about four years ago to join the firm of Messrs. Ewens and Harston. As a solicitor he was very prominent, and many were the cases that he won. When Mr. Ewens left for the homeland on leave, Mr. Reginald Harding was given a partnership, but a year or so ago he severed his connection with that firm and started business on his own account, which he still continued up to the time of his death.

The motive which led him to take his life is not known.

THE WEATHER.

The following report is from Mr. F. C. Figg, Director of the Hongkong Observatory:—
On the 28th at 12.20 p.m.—The barometer is rising over Hongkong; and falling over the Philippines.

There are indications of the existence of another depression over the Pacific to the E. of Luzon.

Pressure has given way over Central and Northern China and in Vladivostok, a depression being situated over Manchuria. High pressure still covers E. Japan.

Moderate N.E. winds may be expected in the Formosa Channel, and fresh E. and variable winds along the Northern shores of the China Sea.

Hongkong Rainfall for the 24 hours ending at 10 a.m. to-day, 1.75 inches.

FORECAST.

1.—Hongkong and Neighbourhood, E. winds, moderate; showery.

2.—Formosa Channel, N.E. winds, moderate.

3.—South coast of China between Hongkong and Luzon, same as No. 1.

4.—South coast of China between Hongkong and Hainan, E. winds, fresh.

WHO IS LIABLE?

STORY OF A HAIPHONG COAL CONCESSION TOLD IN THE SUPREME COURT.

A very interesting action was heard by Mr. Justice Gompertz in the Supreme Court, this morning. Mons. Auguste Pierre Marty (attorney for Mons. A. R. Marty) of 24, Des Vaux Road Central, sought to claim from Kendall Newman, who is employed by the *South China Morning Post*, the sum of \$584.25 on a promissory note dated 30th October, 1907. Mr. D. V. Stevenson, of Messrs. Deacons, Looker and Deacon, appeared for the plaintiff, Mr. P. W. Goldring, of Messrs. Goldring, Barlow and Morrell, acted for the defendant.

Mr. Stevenson stated that Mr. A. R. Marty was a merchant, living in Haiphong, and was suing on behalf of his brother on a promissory note, which had been received from the defendant.

Mr. Goldring stated that there was no evidence under which the promissory note had been given.

The Court—The promissory note speaks for itself.

Mr. Goldring—The promissory note has been made outside the Colony.

The Court—4 have not seen the document.

Mr. Stevenson—My friend cannot raise the question of consideration as he has not complied with the Ordinance. His client, he said, could speak to a certain mining concession which the defendant had been working for Mr. Robert Shewan.

Mr. Goldring—Yes. But he is entitled to consideration.

This Mr. Stevenson on re-adjudicated.

Mr. Goldring—My client has tried to settle the matter, but has failed.

Mr. Stevenson said he would call evidence to prove his claim.

The plaintiff (Mr. A. P. Marty) stated that he was a merchant doing business in Hongkong. He was attorney for his brother, Mr. A. R. Marty, (power of attorney produced). On December 28th, 1907, he received a letter, in which a promissory note, signed by the defendant, was enclosed. That letter was received in the ordinary course of business. The letter and a promissory note he handed to his chief clerk to do the needful.

Cross-examined: Witness had instructions to recover the money from Mr. Shewan. When his clerk went round the comrade refused to pay. Witness did not know Mr. Shewan was the owner of a coal mine. Neither did he know anything about a syndicate, of which defendant was agent.

At this stage Mr. Goldring produced a letter signed "A. R. Marty" and questioned the witness as to whether the signature on the letter was that of his brother. The witness replied, "Yes."

"Do you know of the concession mentioned in that letter?" he asked.

Witness answered in the negative.

Mr. Sequeira, chief clerk in the firm of A. R. Marty and Company, was called. The letter referred to already, which contained a promissory note, was handed to the witness, who identified same and stated that the letter and the promissory note were handed to him to collect the money from Messrs. Shewan, Tomes & Co. He had the promissory note sent to the office, but it was returned unpaid. Witness then made inquiries as to the whereabouts of the defendant, to whom he wrote a letter. That letter was not delivered at the defendant's whereabouts were not known to him. A month or so later the witness learnt from the captain of the steamer *Hongkong* that defendant was in the employ of the *South China Morning Post*, where he was located, but no reply was received from the defendant. Neither had he called at plaintiff's office to explain matters.

This closed the case for the prosecution.

The case for the defence, Mr. Goldring submitted, was a long and complicated one. Mr. A. R. Marty, the plaintiff, was the owner of a coal concession in Haiphong, and this concession was transferred to the defendant and one Mr. Janssens to work it. The concession was then sold to a syndicate, comprising Messrs. Robert Shewan and Fuong Wa Chun and others. The transfer was put through in the office of Messrs. Deacon, Looker and Deacon. The defendant, Mr. Goldring stated, went down to work the mine for Mr. Shewan and to a certain extent he was agent and was financed by Mr. Marty.

There was a counterclaim against the plaintiff. But until he could get certain figures from Haiphong the claim could not be pushed ahead. The defendant, he pursued, signed a promissory note for a quantity of dynamite, for the syndicate, which was to be used for working the mine. On October 12, defendant received a notice terminating his agreement under Clause 12. The notice was signed by Messrs. W. D. Graham, Robert Shewan and Fuong Wa Chun, and he came back to Hongkong, having left joined the company in which he was now employed. He had been in the Colony all the time. A month or so ago when the defendant was going to hospital he was arrested on the steps of the institution for this debt. It was a case of want of consideration. The dynamite was ordered for the syndicate, but not taken delivery of by the defendant. If it was, then the syndicate was liable.

The Court—Then why did he sign for it?

Mr. Goldring—He signed as agent.

The Court—No; he signed, "I promise to pay."

Mr. Goldring—For the syndicate.

Witnesses for the defence were then examined, and the matter was still being argued when we went to press.

THE OPIUM CONFERENCE.

FORTHCOMING MEETING AT SHANGHAI.

Tokio, September 30.

The Japanese authorities prefer gradual to prompt prohibition of opium-smoking; they intimate that they will not subscribe to any binding resolution at the forthcoming international conference at Shanghai.—*N. C. D. News.*

CORRESPONDENCE.

(We do not necessarily endorse the opinions expressed by Correspondents in this column.)

TYPHOON SHELTER.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE "HONGKONG TELEGRAPH":—Sir, On the afternoon of the 26th ult., it will be remembered that the typhoon signals were hoisted inside the harbour, while outside the Harbour the sea was somewhat rough and I noticed many junks outside of Lyemun Pass combating with the weather to get inside to take shelter in Causeway Bay; but it was not to be for them, for great was their surprise to find after getting inside the Pass that they were not allowed to go any further inside as they were being chased back by a Military launch and had to turn about and beat back against a head wind. There was another Military launch I discovered not far distant with two targets astern. I took it they were going firing in that vicinity and was clearing the course. I should hardly think it a time for firing practice when they have to adopt such measures as to send people outside in such weather as it was on the afternoon of Friday last, and for all they knew they might have been sending people out to face their death.

I saw an article in your paper the other day, "Typhoon Aftermath" where the Crown Solicitor stated that the object of the inquiry was to see if there was any culpable neglect on anybody's part. Surely, there must have been some neglect on someone's part to allow people to be sent back to face probable death; and I must say it does not tend to improve the Chinese population's idea of the so-called good-hearted British fraternity of Hongkong.

Hoping I have not taken too much of your valuable space, I am, etc.

WUN PAK HING.
Hongkong, 28th September.

ALLEGED OPIUM SMUGGLING.

SECOND OFFICER, S.S. "YNSANG" CHARGED AT MANILA.

The *Ynsang* seized by order of the Customs authorities and the vessel's second officer, Norman Taylor, released on P5,500 bail, charged with smuggling of opium, having in his possession quantities of the tabooed drug, and having furthermore in his possession a large quantity of lottery tickets, in the latest sensation on the waterfront, says the *Cable News-American* of 23rd instant.

When the vessel arrived in the bay yesterday she was boarded immediately by the secret service officers of the custom house, and within a short time Assistant Chief J. J. Keith had discovered 41 tins of opium and 25 packages of lottery tickets, each package containing 30 tickets. These contraband articles were, of course, confiscated, but the *coup d'état* did not "happen" until the *Ynsang's* second officer was arrested ashore, having on him 9 tins of opium and a goodly number of lottery tickets.

Mate Taylor was taken to the Manila police station and later presented to the court of first instance where he was held under bail to answer to the three charges enumerated above. Attorney O'Brien has been retained for his defence.

The value of these illicit articles is estimated to be about 7,000 pesos, as opium is now quoted at 35 pesos per can, and the lottery tickets are worth between 6 and 8 pesos per piece.

The tickets have been turned over to the prosecuting attorney to be used in the case against the accused ship's officer.

STOWAWAYS.

TWO JAPANESE FINED.

For trying to obtain a passage from Moji to Hongkong at the expense of the steamer's owners, two Japanese found themselves in the dock at the Police Court, this morning. The two men, Ikujiro Miyazaki and Hirokichi Matsumura, were charged with unlawfully stowing themselves on the s.s. *Tjibodas* with intent to obtain a passage from Moji to Hongkong without the consent of the owner, charterer, agent, master or other person in charge of the ship on or about the 21st September. Mr. C. H. Kroes, chief officer of the s.s. *Tjibodas*, who prosecuted, stated that his ship left Moji at about 2 o'clock on the 21st September on a continuous voyage to Hongkong. It was the Chinese boatswain, Lo Sum, who discovered the stowaways at about 8 o'clock on the 23rd instant. The boatswain, when called to give evidence, spoke to having found the defendants on board the ship on the day in question. Both of them were snugly tucked near a shaft, enjoying all the pleasures of a free passage.

Mr. J. H. Kemp, the presiding magistrate, was very much averse to persons defrauding shippers in this unscrupulous fashion. He fined the defendants \$30, or the alternative of three months' free board and lodgings at the Victoria Gaol.

SHIPPING AND MAILS.

MAILS HERE.

English (*Oriental*) 30th inst., 3 p.m.
German (*Prinzess Alice*) 7th prox.
American (*Alta*) 8th prox.

The s.s. *Kabi* left Manila on 26th inst., after noon, and is due here on 29th inst., at daylight.

The Russian East Asiatic s.s. *Lituanien* left Shimonoseki on 26th inst., and may be expected here on 1st prox.

The Swedish East Asiatic Co.'s s.s. *Peking* left Singapore on 26th inst., p.m., and may be expected here on 2nd prox., p.m.

The N. Y. K. s.s. *Wakamiya Maru*, Bombay Line, left Singapore for this port on 25th inst., and is expected here on 1st prox.

The N. Y. K. s.s. *Kanagawa Maru*, European Line, left Singapore for this port on 25th inst., and is expected here on 1st prox.

The N. Y. K. s.s. *Shimane Maru*, American Line, left Kobe for this port via Moji and Shanghai on 25th inst., and is expected here on 4th prox.

The Imperial German Mail s.s. *Prinzess Alice*, carrying the German Mails, with dates from Berlin of the 9th inst., left Colombo on 26th inst., and may be expected here on 7th prox.

Telegrams.

"HONGKONG TELEGRAPH" SERVICE.

TYPHOON IN THE PHILIPPINES.

FLEET RECEPTION POSTPONED.

IMMENSE DAMAGE IN SOUTHERN PROVINCES.

[From Our Own Correspondent.]

Manila, 27th September, 6 p.m.

Manila escaped practically undamaged during the typhoon [which visited the Philippines].

The southern islands, however, were severely punished.

The town of Masbate was utterly destroyed, the wrecked buildings including the Capitol and the schools.

It is estimated that the loss will amount to \$100,000.

Romblon, another town in the South, was wiped out.

Tremendous losses were sustained by the plantations, especially those engaged in the cultivation of coconuts.

The receptions of the visiting Fleet have been postponed on account of cholera.

No shore leave will be granted the crews.

House-to-house inspections are being conducted daily, the police constabulary assisting.

The *Cable News-American*, of 23rd inst., reports:—The typhoon which raged off from Luzon, Saturday, zig-zagging to Yap by one of those freakish twists of the wind world, swerved back, yesterday, and after lashing a stormy course from the Carolines to the Visayas tore a terrific track across the middle of this archipelago, last night. The full brunt of the gale was felt on the bluff east coast of Samar and in parts of Leyte.

No reports from the affected areas have got to Manila over the wires, but tidings will probably be received to-day. Ample notice of the typhoon was given by the Weather Bureau and signals hoisted at all stations within the zone.

THE "PAUL BEAU" AFFAIR.

REPRESENTATIONS BY THE WAIWUPU.

[By courtesy of the "Sheung Po."] Peking, 27th September.

The other day the Waiwupu requested Mr. Babst, the French Minister in Peking, to direct the French Consul at Canton to hand back the alleged criminals arrested on board the s.s. *Paul Beau*.

Several days passed without a reply being received from the French Minister.

Yesterday (26th September) the Waiwupu was in receipt of a telegraphic despatch from H. E. Chang Jen-chun, Viceroy of Canton, advising that the French Consul still refused to deliver the criminals.

Telegrams.

"HONGKONG TELEGRAPH" SERVICE.

TANG SHAO-YI.

COST OF H.E.'S MISSION.

[By courtesy of the "Sheung Po"]

Peking, 27th September.

H.E. Tang Shao-yi requires a sum of Tls. 200,000 to defray the expenses of his mission to America.

The Board of Revenue has authorised him to draw the necessary funds from certain Banks in Shanghai.

THE DALAI LLAMA.

ARRIVAL AT PEKING.

[By courtesy of the "Sheung Po"]

Peking, 27th September.

The Dalai Lama arrived in Peking to-day (27th inst.).

The Buddhist Pontiff will pay his respects to the Throne on the 30th inst.

[Reuter's.]

King's Farewell to Col. Goro Shiba.

LONDON, 25th September.

H. M. King Edward in taking farewell of Col. Goro Shiba, Japanese Military Attaché at Balmoral, invested him with the insignia of a Knight of the Victorian Order.

Australian Naval Affairs.

The Admiralty in reply to the Hon. Alfred Deakin, M. P., Prime Minister of the Commonwealth, agrees to the Commonwealth providing and maintaining a local flotilla of six destroyers, nine submarines, and two depot ships, at a cost of 1½ millions sterling.

There will be 1,200 officers and men, embodied in the Imperial Navy but controlled by the Commonwealth when in Australian waters.

Sydney dockyard will, as formerly, be reserved for Imperial purposes.

Later.

The Newcastle Election.

The polling in the Newcastle Election has resulted as follows:—

Kenwick (Unionist) 13,863 votes.
Shortt (Liberal) 11,720 "
Hartley (Socialist) 2,971 "

Old Age Pensions.

The first Old Age Pensions forms were issued on Thursday.

There was a steady procession of applicants at the Post Offices, 50,000 being applied for and issued in London alone.

Bulgaria and Turkey.

M. Mitchevitch, Bulgarian agent in London, in an interview said that it was anticipated his Government would purchase the Oriental Railway line from the company now owning it, or arrange with the company for its control by Bulgaria. The question was one affecting Bulgaria's national safety, and she could not tolerate the existence of a line traversing the country controlled from Constantinople; but there was no idea of forcing the matter to war.

He had no official information as to Bulgaria's intention to declare her independence, but in his own opinion the time to do so had arrived, though it would merely regularise the situation actually existing.

26th September.

The Porte has addressed a Note to the Powers on the subject of the Bulgarian occupation of the Oriental railway, which she considers a violation of Turkey's rights, and makes a request for their intervention.

The Russian Foreign Minister, M. Iswolsky, has conferred with the German Minister, Herr von Schoen, on the subject at Birshtesgaden.

Slump in Cotton Shares.

Considerable unloading of shares in new spinning companies of South-East Lancashire has taken place as a result of the lock-out.

Some shares of fifty shillings paid up were sold yesterday for ten shillings.

THE "HONGKONG-MARU" IN A TYPHOON.

The T.K.K. steamer *Hongkong-maru*, which is in port, left San Francisco on the 29th August, experiencing fair weather all the way to Honolulu. She left Honolulu on the 4th September, at 10 a.m., encountering fair weather all the way up to the 13th instant, when she experienced a severe typhoon, which set her back on a south-easterly course to get out of its way. The typhoon raged all day, but fortunately it passed away by the 14th and the liner continued her voyage to Yokohama, experiencing fair weather the rest of the way, arriving there on the 16th instant.

She sustained no damage. It is rumored, says the *Japan Advertiser*, that the passengers will present Captain Filmer with a silver cup, as a mark of appreciation for the able manner in which he navigated the liner safely to Yokohama in adverse circumstances.

V.H.O. ANNUAL AQUATIC SPORTS.

LAST DAY.

In spite of the bad water prevailing on Saturday afternoon, the V.H.O. continued their programme, and everything went through without a hitch. The 500 yds. swimming contests were again very close, more especially in the Two Lengths Handicap when eight started to the final and all finished in a bunch. About half past four or half an hour after the commencement of the sports, the lighter, gallery, verandahs, etc. were packed with sporting enthusiasts, and just before the commencement of the water polo match, His Excellency Sir Frederick Lugard arrived, together with his A.D.C.'s, and took great interest in the water polo exhibition, which was indeed a brilliant game. The Band of the Rajputs under Bandmaster Coke played fine selections during the afternoon in the large Gymnasium Hall.

The results were as follows:—

1.—FINAL HURDLE RACE.

R. Galluzzi, A. J. V. Ribeiro, A. V. Barros and R. C. Wittell were the four finalists in this event, and took the water in the above order. Before long it could plainly be seen that the issue of the race depended upon Ribeiro and Barros, as both were going well as also did Wittell, but the latter's handicap appeared a little too much for him. Galluzzi failed to swim in the manner he did on the previous day and lost the lead to Ribeiro, the latter winning easily with Barros second. The winner's time being 57 4/5 seconds.

2.—HIGH DIVE. Two prizes. Two tries.

M. A. R. Souza, A. R. Ellis and A. A. Claxton were the only three contestants in this event. The judges had great difficulty in deciding who the winner was, and after a third try, the honours were given to Souza, with Ellis second.

3.—FINAL, TWO LENGTHS HANDICAP.

Eight started in this final, viz.—H. J. White, R. Galluzzi, F. J. Barreto, J. M. C. Lopes, A. J. V. Ribeiro, F. L. Roza, A. H. Carroll and A. A. Claxton. From start to finish, the race was full of excitement, more especially when the scratch men appeared to be catching up, which seemed to be a bit too much to have expected; judging by the times of some of the new swimmers and their handicaps it was evident from the very start that Claxton, Carroll and Roza were out of this race, altogether although they caught up wonderfully. Lopes won by a touch, with Galluzzi second.

4.—BOYS' RACE.—(Under 12 years of age)

Two lengths handicap. (Post entries). Two prizes.

This was won by R. Finlan, K. Robertson being second. Time: 1 minute 15 seconds.

5.—CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP, 100 yards. Challenge Cup presented by Mr. Dorabjee, to be won 3 years before becoming the property of the competitor. Three lengths. Two prizes.

Seven names were down on the programme, but only three started, viz., C. Humphreys, C. J. Cooke and A. A. Claxton. Humphreys had things all his own way and led from start to finish, beating Cooke by about a couple of yards. Time: 1 minute 7 1/5 seconds.

6.—TWO LENGTHS. (Open to Army, Navy and Police).

This was won easily by Gunner Canter of the 3rd Coy., Royal Garrison Artillery, A. E. Thomas of H. M. S. *Tenby* being second.

7.—FINAL, FOUR LENGTHS HANDICAP.

A. H. Carroll, F. Roza, A. V. Barros and P. M. Remedios were the four finalists in this race, and after a good struggle, Barros won, with Remedios second. Time: 1 minute 58 1/5 seconds.

8.—CONSOLATION RACE. (Two Lengths)

One prize.

This was won by A. E. Alves, who just touched the board before H. C. Sayer and A. A. Claxton, the two latter being level for second place.

9.—WATER POLO.

This appeared to be the event of the day and created the most excitement, both teams being very evenly matched and the game a very fast and hard one. After trying hard to score, the result was a draw, neither side netting, but at the request of the players a further 3 minutes each way was allowed by the Referee. In the first half of this extra time, Barros scored once as also did Cooke, but in the second spell matters were altered and A. R. Ellis and R. C. Wittell equalised, and the game again ended in a draw with two goals aside. A further request was again made for extra time, both sides being determined to outlast each other, but at the request of His Excellency the match was allowed to stand as it did, His Excellency kindly offering to present another seven spoons, so that each player would receive a prize. The teams were:—(Blues): R. C. Wittell (Capt.), A. E. Alves, A. R. Ellis, O. R. Chueyut, H. C. Sayer, J. M. Lopes, F. K. Tata. (Whites): A. V. Barros (Captain), C. J. Cooke, A. S. Ellis, J. M. Roza Pereira, A. H. Carroll, A. J. V. Ribeiro, J. Forbes.

At the conclusion of the sports, the prizes were presented to the successful swimmers by His Excellency Sir Frederick Lugard, who congratulated the winners and commented upon the good play of the Water Polo teams and the sportsmanlike manner in which they fought to secure victory.

Three ringing cheers and a "tiger" were then given for His Excellency the Governor.

THE JAPANESE YARN TRADE.

Tokio, September 20.

The proposal to offer bonuses on the export of yarn has failed. Bonus-bearing sales have been practically ineffective. The restriction of produce resolved upon in April will continue until November and may be extended further.

Meanwhile wages have not been reduced nor have employees been discharged as a direct consequence of the partial idleness of the spindles. —N. G. D. News.

CANTON DAY BY DAY.

TAOTAL WEN TSUNG YAO.

[From Our Own Correspondent.]

Canton, 26th September.

Taotal Wen Tsung Yao, recently appointed Imperial Assistant Resident Minister at Hankow, Thibet, is expected to start on his overland journey in the course of a week for his destination to take up his appointment. He will commence his leave-taking from all the officials in the city day after to-morrow.

NEW FOREIGN COMMISSIONER.

Taotal Im Ku, who has been appointed to Canton as successor to Taotal Wen Tsung Yao, as director of the Canton Bureau of Foreign Affairs, arrived here on the 24th instant.

HEAVY FIRE.

The cargo-boat *Wong Lie Hing*, carrying 4,000 cases of kerosene oil, passed the Likin station at Mo To Moon without paying dues with the intention to defraud, and that station has reported the case to the head station at Canton. The cargo-boat has been fined 600 taels equivalent to five times the amount due, besides the payment of 120 taels as Likin dues.

IMPROVING THE ARSENAL.

It is reported that a special commissioner is coming to Canton, by command of the Ministry of War, with instructions to carry out an investigation into the working of the Arsenal at Canton as well as the arms produced there with the view of introducing reform.

The Canton Government Bank, Kwan Yen Chin Chiu, during the past two years, has issued notes of \$1, \$5, and \$10 denomination to the extent of some \$1,300,000 for circulation in the Canton market, where they have been favourably accepted by the public. A large consignment of note paper printed in Japan to the order of the bank will shortly arrive here, and they bear the value of a few million dollars, of which one million are of \$1 notes and the rest \$5 and \$10, respectively.

NOTORIOUS ROBBERS.

Luk Lan Ching, a daring robber, chief, has long been wanted by the officials, but all efforts at capturing him have proved unsuccessful. Admiral Li Chun has offered a reward of \$10,000 for the apprehension of this notorious robber and \$3,000 for his comrade named Ng Chiu.

A reward of \$300 has been offered for the arrest of each of the robbers concerned in the hold up, a short time ago, of a wealthy man's house in Lo Pai Hong street, in the Western suburb as already reported.

RAILWAY OFFICIAL.

Mr. Lo Po Shun was elected vice-president of the Canton-Hankow Railway Company last year, but he did not take up his appointment until the 24th day of last month after repeated requests were made by members of the Company.

KULANGSU (AMOI) MUNICIPAL COUNCIL.

Minutes of a meeting of the Council, held at the Board Room, on the 8th September, 1908. Present: Messrs. W. H. Wallace (Chairman), J. S. Fenwick, Huang Ts'an-chew, W. Kruse, S. Okuyama, W. Wilson, the Health Officer and the Secretary.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

Mr. Huang Ts'an-chew inquired whether the present regulations regarding the registering of deaths and the issue of burial permits, could not be made less stringent. It was explained to him that the regulations had been framed specially in the interests of the Chinese themselves, and it was only by insisting on these regulations being strictly carried out that the Council could hope to cope successfully with the spread of infectious diseases, and more especially the present epidemic of cholera. As regards allowing burials to take place in places other than at Lai-choo-oh, the Council was always prepared to consider special cases, providing application was made in sufficient time, but it must be remembered that in infectious cases early interment was desirable.

The Superintendent of Police reported the following cases had been dealt with at the Mixed Court since the last meeting:—Summons: Breach of agreement, 1, Assault, 1, Illegally retaining possession of a house, 1, Breach of new Opium Regulations, 4, Illegal arrest, 1, Contempt of Court, 1, Failing to report a death, 1, Breach of the conditions of a theatre permit, 2, Allowing pigs and cattle to stray, 1, Summary Arrests: Committing a nuisance, 2, Escaping from lawful custody, 1, Breach of new Opium Regulations, 3, Assault, 2.

(Signed) W. H. WALLACE, Chairman.

By order, C. BERKELEY MITCHELL, Secretary.

COMMERCIAL.

TO-DAY'S EXCHANGE.

Selling.	
London—Bank T.T.	1/3 1/2
Do. demand	1/9 3/16
Do. 4 months' sight	1/9 5/16
France—Bank T.T.	2 1/2
America—Bank T.T.	42 1/2
Germany—Bank T.T.	79 1/2
India T.T.	132 1/2
Do. demand	132 1/2
Shanghai—Bank T.T.	75 1/2
Singapore—Bank T.T. per H.K. \$100	75 1/2
Japan—Bank T.T.	86 1/2
Java—Bank T.T.	105 1/2
Buying.	
1 month's sight L/C	1/9 1/2
6 months' sight L/C	1/9 3/16
30 days' sight San Francisco & New York	45 1/2
4 months' sight do.	44 1/2
30 days' sight Sydney & Melbourne	1/9 1/2
4 months' sight France	2 1/2
6 months' sight do.	2 1/2
1 month's sight Germany	79 1/2
Bank Billers	25 1/2
Bank of England rate	21 1/2
Seventy	81 1/2

THE CAT AS A DESTROYER OF RATS.

ITS POPULARITY IN JAPAN.

The cat is at present as popular in Japan as rats are unpopular. The latter, as the propagators of disease, are hunted and killed with the utmost vigour and with relentless energy. Hitherto the Japanese have regarded rats, according to popular superstition, as the messengers of the God of Wealth, and as such the rodents have been, despite their mischievous habits, treated with a certain amount of respect and consideration. Cats, on the other hand, have been excluded from many a household owing to their cunning disposition and unsociable nature. Since the outbreak of plague in this country some years ago and more especially since the recommendation of Dr. Koch to keep cats in order to effect the destruction of rats, the popularity of this domestic animal has grown to a tremendous rate. About a month ago, when the Metropolitan Police carried out an investigation as to the number of cats domesticated in Tokyo, the feline population was returned at 15,000 head, but it is now reported that the number has increased to 30,000 owing to the wholesale importation of cats into the metropolis, where a good price is offered for them. Tokyo now boasts a Society which aims at the improvement of the breed of the domestic cat, and competitive shows of cats combined with rat-catching tournaments are to be held from time to time under the auspices of the Society.

Dr. Iriye, a well-known veterinary surgeon, alluding to the history of the domestic cat in Japan, says that it was first brought to this country from India with the introduction of Buddhism. In the Indian monasteries it was the custom to keep cats from the earliest times in order to prevent damage to books and manuscripts from vermin. Cats, unlike dogs, are unsociable, and instances of their attachment to man are fewer than in the case of dogs. They frequently evince great attachment to places to which they have been accustomed, however. Many cases are recorded of cats remaining in houses after their masters have removed elsewhere. Some authorities attribute this trait to the hereditary instinct of the cat transmitted from its ancestors who lived in lairs.

Continuing, Dr. Iriye says that there is not much difference between the Japanese and European cats. The only notable variation is that the former has a short tail, while the latter has a long one. Originally the Japanese cat had a long tail, but owing to the superstition that a long-tailed cat would become possessed of an evil disposition, it was cut short, and the short-tailed cat has become the Japanese species as the result of artificial selection. As a rat-catcher the Japanese is superior to the European cat. The latter, as a rule, is more well fed and well cared for than the other, with the result that its rat-catching propensities have greatly diminished. If the long tail had been retained in the Japanese cat, it would have proved a better rat-catcher. The tails of all animals are employed as an indispensable weapon of defence. When animals are fighting they move their tails incessantly so as to become aware by the sense of touch of a possible attack from the rear. If the Japanese cat possessed a long tail like the European variety it would be enabled better to concentrate its energy against its enemy in an encounter and therefore would prove a more efficient rat-catcher than it is now.

Regarding the origin of cats and their habits the following will be read with interest:—"The origin of the cat, like that of many other animals, is so obscure as to have become a matter of more or less probable conjecture. Reference is made to the animal in Sanskrit writings 2,000 years old, and still more ancient records of it are to be found in the monumental figures and cat mummies of Egypt. The latter, according to De Blainville, belong to three distinct species, two of which are said to be still found, both wild and domesticated, in certain parts of Egypt. The Gloved Cat of Nubia, which has also been preserved as a mummy, approaches most nearly in size, and in the tapering form of the tail, to the domestic cat, but Professor Owen has shown that there are certain peculiarities in the dentition of this species, sufficiently pronounced to invalidate its claim to be considered the ancestor of the domestic variety. The difficulty of recognising the cat's ancestor in any single wild species has led many naturalists to the conclusion that *felis domesticus* is the product of many species commingled; and whatever value may be attached to this view there is sufficient evidence to show that domestic cats in different parts of the world have developed a variety of modifications under the influence of frequent crossing with such wild species as exist in those parts. The cat has never evinced that devotion to man which characterises the dog, though many individual cases of feline attachment might be quoted. It becomes, however, strongly attached to particular localities and will find its way back from the most distant points although conveyed thither under cover. How it is enabled to perform such feats has long puzzled naturalists, and no theory that has yet been advanced seems adequately to meet the case. It has been contended by Dr. A. R. Wallace that a cat which is being conveyed to a distance blind-fold retains its sense of smell in full exercise, and will by this means take note of the successive odours it encounters on the way; that these impressions leave on its mind a series of images as distinct as those we should receive by the sense of sight; and that the recurrence of these odours in their proper inverse order—every house, ditch, field, and village having its own well-marked individuality—would make it an easy matter for the animal in question to follow the identical route back, however many turnings and cross roads it may have followed." —*Japan Chronicle*.

The total output of the C. E. & M. Company's three mines for the week ending September 12, amounted to 30,909 7/8 tons, and the sales during the period to 11,479 3/8 tons.

To-day's Advertisements.

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H. RISSLAND,
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Hongkong, 27th September, 1908. [875]

HARBOUR MASTERS DEPARTMENT.

IT is hereby notified that information has been received from the Military Authorities that GUN PRACTICE will be carried out as under:—

Cancel Practice in *Government Gazette* Notice for Practice on 1st October (Government Notification No. 672 of 17th September, 1908), and substitute:—

On WEDNESDAY, the 30th September:—
From Lyemun in a North-Easterly direction, at ranges up to 6,000 yards commencing at 7 P.M., and finishing at 10 P.M.

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From Lyemun F.C. in North-Easterly and South-Easterly directions, at ranges up to 10,000 yards commencing at 7 P.M., and finishing at 10 P.M.

On TUESDAY and THURSDAY, the 23rd and 25th October:—

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On FRIDAY, the 16th October:—
From Lyemun F.C. in a North-Easterly direction, at ranges up to 6,000 yards, commencing at 7 P.M., and finishing at 10 P.M.

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BASIL TAYLOR, Commander, R.N.,
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Hongkong, 28th September, 1908. [876]

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Hongkong, 28th September, 1908. [10]

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Hongkong, 28th September, 1908. [11]

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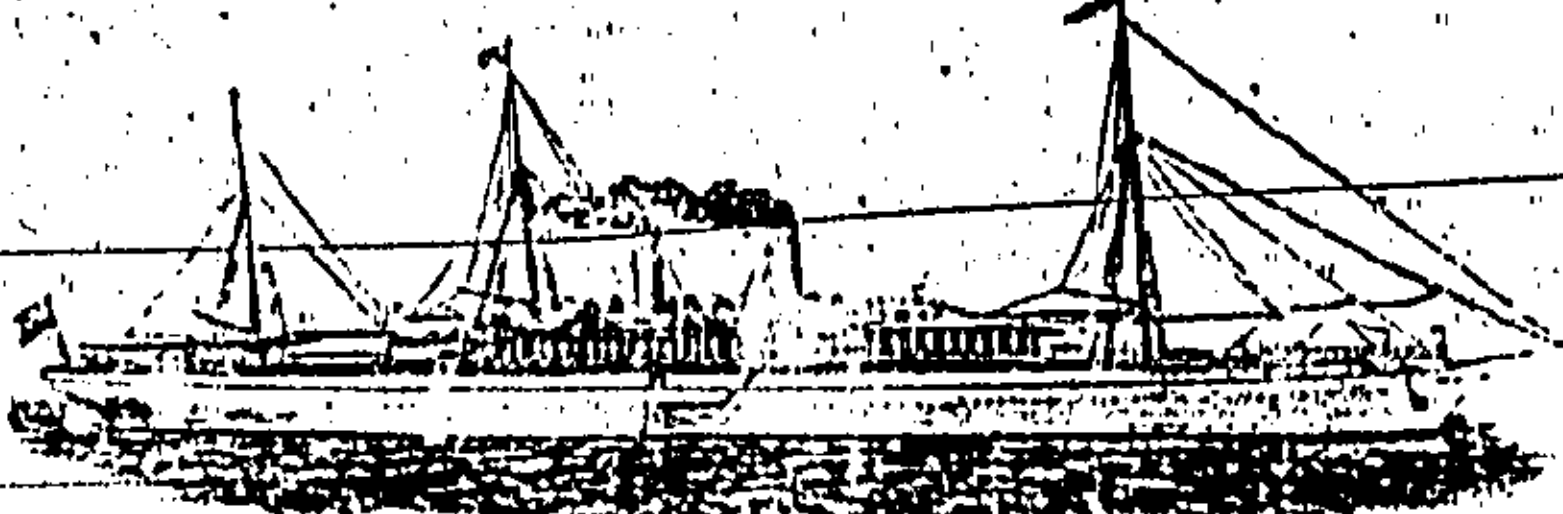
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SWATOW, AMOY, SHANGHAI and CHINKIANG	"HOPEH"	30th " 2 P.M.
MANILA	"TAMING"	30th " 4 P.M.
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Hongkong, 19th September, 1908. (7)

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Hongkong, 28th September, 1908. (873)

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Hongkong, 14th August, 1908. (751)

AN APPEAL.

THE SUPERIORESS OF THE ITALIAN CONVENT, CAINE ROAD, begs most respectfully to APPEAL to the Residents of Hongkong and the Coast Ports for their kind patronage and support, and desired to state that she will be pleased to receive orders for all kinds of NEEDLE WORK.

Gentlemen's Shirts made to order, and Cuffs and Collars renewed on old ones.

Ladies and Children's Under-clothing, Children's Dresses, and all kinds of Embroidery. Materials can be supplied, if required.

The Superioress will also be most grateful for any PAPERS, or old ENVELOPES to be made into Books for the Children of the Poor Schools. Who are taught by the Sisters.

Hongkong, 22nd Sept, 1908. (69)

WEATHER-FORCAST AND STORM-WARNINGS ISSUED FROM THE HONGKONG OBSERVATORY.

METEOROLOGICAL SIGNALS.

Meteorological signals are hoisted on the mast in front of the Water Police Station at Tsim Sha Teui for the information of masters of vessels leaving the port. They do not necessarily imply that bad weather is expected here:—

Signal No.

1. A CONE point upwards indicates a Typhoon to the North of the Colony.

2. A CONE point upwards and the U.M. below indicates a Typhoon to the North-East of the Colony.

3. A DRUM indicates a Typhoon to the East of the Colony.

4. A CONE point downwards and the U.M. below indicates a Typhoon to the South-East of the Colony.

5. A CONE point downwards indicates a Typhoon to the South of the Colony.

6. A CONE point downwards and BALL below indicates a Typhoon to the South-West of the Colony.

7. A BALL indicates a Typhoon to the West of the Colony.

8. A CONE point upwards and BALL below indicates a Typhoon to the North-West of the Colony.

Red Signals indicate that the centre is believed to be more than 300 miles away from the Colony.

Black Signals indicate that the centre is believed to be less than 300 miles away from the Colony.

The above signals will, as heretofore, be hoisted only when typhoons exist in such positions or are moving in such directions that information regarding them is considered to be of importance to the Colony or to shipping leaving the harbour.

These signals are repeated at the Harbour Office, H.M.S. *Tamar*, Green Island Signal Mast, and the Flagstaff on the premises of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company at Kowloon.

URGENT SIGNAL.

In addition to the above, when it is expected that the wind may increase to full typhoon force at any moment, the following Urgent Signal will be made at the Water Police Station, and repeated at the Harbour Office:—

THREE EXPLOSIVE BOMBS, AT INTERVALS OF TEN SECONDS.

A Black Cross will be hoisted at the same time, superior to the other shapes.

NIGHT SIGNALS.

The following Night Signals will be exhibited on the Flagstaff on the roof of the Water Police Station at Kowloon, the Harbour Office Flagstaff, and H.M.S. *Tamar*.

I. Three Lights Vertical, Green Green Green, indicates that a typhoon is believed to be situated more than 300 miles from the Colony.

II. Three Lights Vertical, Green Red Green, indicates that a typhoon is believed to be situated less than 300 miles from the Colony.

III. Three Lights Vertical, Red Green Red, indicates that the wind may be expected to increase to full typhoon force at any moment.

No. III. Signal will be accompanied by the Explosive Bombs, as above, in the event of the information conveyed by this signal being published by night.

These Night Signals will be substituted for the Day Signals at sunset, and will, when necessary, be altered during the night.

SUPPLEMENTARY WARNINGS.

For the benefit of Native Craft and passing Ocean Vessels, a Cone will be exhibited at each of the following stations during the time that any of the above Day Signals are hoisted in the Harbour.

Gap Rock. Aberdeen.

Waglan. San Ki Wan.

Stanley. Sai Kung.

Cape Collinson. Sha Tau Kok.

Tai Po.

This will indicate that there is a depression somewhere in the China Sea, and that a Storm Warning is hoisted in the Harbour.

Further details can always be given to Ocean Vessels, on demand, by signal, from the light-houses.

F. G. FICO,
Director.

26th July, 1907.

BURIAL IN WESTMINSTER ABBEY.

THE PROPOSED NEW MUSEUM.

A striking proposal was made rather more than four years ago by the present Dean of Westminster, as chief custodian of the fabric of Westminster Abbey, at a lecture given by him before the Royal Society. It attracted a large amount of public attention at the time by reason both of its originality and its practical character. The most casual visitor to Westminster Abbey cannot fail to be struck by the vast number of monuments, good, bad, indifferent, with which its walls and even some of its pillars are covered. To quote Lord Lansdowne when speaking in the House of Lords recently on the subject of a proposed memorial to the late Sir Henry Campbell-Bannerman, these monuments are crowded together to the general detriment of the many beauties of Abbey Church in a manner that can scarcely be called anything but indecent. The present Dean stated at the time of the unveiling of the medallion erected to the memory of the late Professor Sir George Stokes that little more space remained than would accommodate one more such memorial!

The scheme suggested by the Dean on the occasion referred to was to restore the old undercroft to the east of the present Great Cloisters, which dates from the distant reign of Edward the Confessor, to something more nearly resembling its original appearance, and to utilise this renovated building, with all its interesting architectural characteristics, to continue the work which has been carried on by the Abbey Church for so many generations and centuries as the resting place of England's mighty dead. Although they would not lie in the great church itself, yet they would rest beneath its shadow, surrounded by the glamour of all its many associations, in a place where their names would be linked on to the pre-Norman history of our race.

AN EARLY NORMAN STRUCTURE.

This undercroft or sub-structure is Early Norman in character, and it consists of a number of short, bulky columns, destitute of any ornamentation whatsoever save the very roughest mouldings, carved, of course, by means of the axe rather than the chisel. These support a low groined roof, upon which came to be built the ancient Monastic dormitory. Westminster, or the Isle of Thorney, as it was once known, intersected as it was by countless water-courses, must have been a damp place at the best, and no doubt it was felt by the monastic builders of the Abbey Church and the conventual buildings which surrounded it that it was highly desirable for the sleeping arrangements of the community to be placed high, but of reach of the damp humours which were exhaled at that time by the marshy soil. Thus it came about that the dormitory of our Abbey in medieval times was built upon this highly interesting Norman undercroft, or it might be termed a kind of crypt, but above instead of below the surface of the ground.

In process of time, however, this building came to be entirely spoilt from an architectural point of view, at any rate; in other words, it came to be divided up into a number of separate chambers, which, whatever

